

ANOTHER BIG RUSSIAN FORTRESS CAPTURED BY THE GERMAN FORCES

TWENTY THOUSAND RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ARE MADE PRISONERS

An Enormous Stock of War Material Also Falls into the Hands of the Teutons.

EMPEROR GOES TO FRONT
Kaiser Will There Give Thanks of Himself and Fatherland to Victorious General.

BERLIN, Aug. 20.—The left wing of Field Marshal von Mackensen's army has driven the Russians behind Kotorskulva, southwest of Brest-Litovsk, German army headquarters announced today.

BERLIN, Aug. 20.—Official announcement was made here today of the capture of the important Russian fortress of Novogeorgievsk, with more than 20,000 men. The statement follows: "The fortress of Novogeorgievsk, the enemy's last bulwark in Poland, has been captured after stubborn resistance. The entire garrison, including over 20,000 men, and an enormous stock of war material, fell into our hands. The emperor left for Novogeorgievsk in order to give the thanks of himself and the fatherland to the leader of the attack, General von Bessler, and his troops."

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT IS TO BE MOVED TO MOSCOW

LONDON, Aug. 20.—As the Austrians and Germans press on to the last of the outlying fortresses standing between the Russian capital and the invaders, Petrograd is discussing the advisability of moving the government to its ancient seat at Moscow, already considered the heart of the nation. Kovno is now definitely in the hands of the Germans. The flanking movement of Field Marshal von Mackensen grows more threatening hourly and it would not be surprising if Grand Duke Nicholas should abandon all efforts to form a new line with Brest-Litovsk as the pivot. From Brest-Litovsk to Osovetz, which seems to be withstanding the assaults of the heavy German guns, better than any other fortress, furious fighting continues with the advantage in favor of the invaders. Riga has again become the center of a struggle on land and sea.

The landing of British troops at Sulva bay, Gallipoli peninsula, is regarded here as a partial disappointment. The Turks had concentrated their forces in the Anzac zone, a little to the south, but were able to send troops north in time to prevent any important advance by the landing of forces. It is believed here that no forward movement of consequence is likely unless the British are reinforced considerably. Italy at Turkey appear to be on the brink of an open rupture. The Italian public expects war, which would give their army and navy a chance to cooperate with the allies in the Dardanelles movement. On the western front the French now hold the cross roads between Lens and Arras, which, when in possession of Germans, formed a wedge in the allied line.

INJURIES

Received by Fire Chief in the Erie Flood Are Fatal.

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 20.—John J. McMahon, chief of the Erie fire department, died early today from injuries received two weeks ago in the Mill Creek flood. Chief McMahon while attempting a rescue in the flood area, was swept away and for a time his name was listed with the dead. Later he was found floating in a mass of wreckage and taken to the hospital.

RECOMMENDS INSPECTORS.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 20.—Dr. S. L. Jepson, head of the state department of health, has issued a circular advising all boards of education throughout West Virginia to employ medical inspectors.

PONY PURCHASED FOR FAIR AWARD

Beautiful Animal to Be Given Away at Children's Day Festivities.

One of the most beautiful Shetland ponies that ever trod the streets of Clarksburg is expected to arrive here Saturday to await some lucky boy or girl to whom it will be given free at the Children's Day observance at the Central West Virginia Fair. The dates of the fair are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 31, September 1, 2 and 3, but Tuesday, August 31, will be observed at children's day. The fair grounds will be turned over to the children this day and a

PYTHIAN HOME

Is Strongly Advocated in Resolutions Passed by the Clarksburg Lodge.

Resolutions strongly favoring the establishment of a Pythian home and the erection of a suitable building therefor were unanimously passed at a well-attended meeting of Clarksburg Lodge No. 39 of the Knights of Pythias Thursday night in its hall on South Third street. The resolutions are to be presented to the state grand lodge when it meets in annual convention next week at Philadelphia. The Philippi lodge of the order recently took similar action regarding a state home and the state home question is again to be threshed out at the meeting of the grand lodge with prospects of action favoring the immediate establishment of such an institution. For several years the grand lodge has worked toward this end and a substantial building fund was raised but the Pythian home board appointed by the grand lodge recently became discouraged over the thing and entertained a proposal to turn the money into a relief fund for widows and orphans of Pythians.

NO TRACES FOUND

Of Joseph N. Saunders, Who Escaped from the County Road Crew.

Deputy sheriffs and constables have failed to find any trace of Joseph N. Saunders, of Baltimore street, who escaped from the county road crew late Wednesday afternoon on the Bridgeport pike. A description of him has been sent to police authorities throughout the state with a request to arrest and hold him should he be found. Saunders was awaiting the action of the next grand jury under a charge of recently resisting constables when they went to his home to arrest him on a charge of assaulting and beating a niece. He obtained a writ from Judge Robinson permitting him to work on the roads while awaiting the next term of criminal court.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Made against Edward Hollen, a Resident of Industrial, by Detroit Scale Concern.

Edward Hollen, former agent for a Detroit scale concern, was arrested at noon, Friday, by Constable C. Q. Stout, on a warrant sworn out by J. H. VanNorstrand, state agent for the scale concern, charging Hollen with embezzling \$50 from the scale concern while he was employed by the concern as agent in Upshur county. H. VanNorstrand, state agent for the warrant before a Buchanan magistrate, but as Hollen lived at Industrial, east of this city, he brought the warrant here and gave it to Magistrate Jackson V. Carter, who indorsed the warrant and turned it over to Constable Stout, who arrested Hollen at his home at Industrial at the noon hour.

This is the second time Hollen was arrested by the same scale concern, the other time several weeks ago he was dismissed from the employ of the scale company and the warrant dismissed after his father had made good the shortage. It was while an inspector of the scale concern was checking up Hollen's accounts that the new shortage was found.

Hollen was released under a bond to appear before Magistrate Carter in a day or two to answer to the charge.

Dr. J. A. Selby was here Friday from West Milford. Cyrus Thompson, a prominent resident of Shinnston, visited the city Friday.

WILL BUY ENTIRE VILLAGE TO ALLOW FLOOD WATERS TO RUSH OVER SITE OF LITTLE TOWN IN THE MIAMI VALLEY



OSBORN, O., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Osborn, Ohio's "unlucky village," must go. Dozing lazily under the "rotting brow" of a semi-circle of Green county hills, the little town was an innocent bystander in the great flood of existence. The town was founded in 1913. Now it is to be wiped out to assure the safety of Dayton and the whole Miami river basin. Whenever the townspeople gather they are discussing the news that the Miami conservancy district is going to buy out the town for \$1,000,000 and turn it into a great flood reservoir. They look at the bright little houses, set well back on well ordered lawns, lined along full stretches with giant trees throwing their shade on easy-going passers-by, and they assume the air that marked the last movements of the Roman gladiators: "We, about to die, salute you." Even the bright little houses and the nodding trees insist on partaking of this grim heroic. In fact, it's a happy funeral. Some rainy day the waters of humble little Mad river, tossed back by a proposed conservancy dam, will suddenly engulf the remnants of Osborn village and make a lake of the pretty fertile valley. About 1850 the old Bee Line railroad and Osborn became a station. For half a century Osborn jogged along at a leisurely pace, now and then pouncing to a few new-fangled fads. A municipal light and water plant was established, and then cement walks were laid on every village street. The family sullimo-On

"MYSTERIOUS" COLORED BOY MAKES A FULL CONFESSION

One Hundred Miles Of Street Car Lines Will Be Constructed

At a Cost of \$400,000 as a Result of the Present Inspection Trip.

The construction of 100 miles of interurban trolley lines in northern West Virginia at a cost of from \$300,000 to \$400,000 is a strong probability according to Smith Hood, general manager of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company, who has returned to Fairmont from a conference and inspection trip participated in by a score or more of transportation officials, bankers and other capitalists. The principal proposed line is to extend from Weston through Glenville and Burnsville into Parkersburg, a distance of between ninety and 100 miles. The party of capitalists and bankers rode over the preliminary survey of the proposed road yesterday in automobiles under the guidance of local business men along the route, who have expressed a willingness to advance substantial amounts of capital to aid in financing the project.

Salem Line, Too. A proposed line, fifteen miles in length from Clarksburg to Salem, is also under consideration and civic organizations along the route have already pledged the right of way if the road should be built.

Construction of the lines under consideration would connect the tracks of the Monongahela Traction Company with the Kanawha Traction and Electric Company's road and afford means for continuous trolley transportation over a large part of the state. After inspection of the survey from Weston through Glenville to Parkersburg and from Clarksburg to Salem, the entire party, with the exception of Mr. Hood, went to Charleston, where they will go over the lines of the Charleston Interurban Traction Company and the Charleston-Dunbar Traction Company. When the inspection shall have

been completed James O. Watson, George T. Watson, E. B. Moore and Dudley D. Britt, will return to Fairmont. Other capitalists in the party will go directly to their homes, including S. D. Camden, president of the Parkersburg and Marietta Railroad Company; T. Edward Hamilton, president of the Hamilton Company, bankers, of Baltimore; Mr. Baker, of Robert Garrett Sons, bankers, Baltimore; and R. C. Hoffman, of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, Philadelphia.

Big Sum Pledged. The cost of the proposed line will be between \$30,000 and \$40,000 per mile. While a substantial amount of capital has been pledged by the surveys, those interested in the construction of the new lines are anxious to secure the strong financial backing and successful transportation of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company, in order to dispose advantageously of bonds and securities necessary to provide for the construction of a high grade, modern traction system.

The Baltimore bankers in the party are largely interested in the traction company lines of the state. It is reported they have made an effort to secure an option on the Little Kanawha Syndicate, whose holdings along the Little Kanawha valley, between Parkersburg and the upper Kanawha, consists of 32,500 acres of coal land, 2,800 acres of timber land, right of way for forty-nine miles of railroad in the upper Kanawha valley, the Little Kanawha valley railway, from Parkersburg to Owensport, twenty-one miles, and the right of way from the Wood county seat to a point eight miles below Parkersburg. It is stated by officials who are connected with the Little Kanawha Valley railroad and their company holds the option on property valued at \$1,000,000.

Miss Charlotte Pierce, of Parkersburg is visiting relatives here.

Admits Nearly a Score of Robberies but Says He is a Kleptomaniac.

Declaring that he is a kleptomaniac, Charles Jones, aged 14, colored Friday morning confessed to the police that he is the "mysterious, little colored boy," who has terrorized residents of all parts of the city for the last month. In his confession, the boy named fifteen robberies that he had committed and said there might be more but that he could not remember them. Jones was detained at police headquarters, while persons, whose homes have been robbed by him, were notified. It is thought that a warrant will be sworn out by one of these persons, and Jones will then be turned over to the county authorities. "I just can't help it, Mr. Brooks," he told the chief. "Every time I see a big, fine house sumphn seems to say, 'there's a nice place to go in,' and I just can't keep out."

"You're a kleptomaniac then?" asked the chief. "That's what I am," the boy replied. "That's what I am."

It was stated at police headquarters that the boy has been under surveillance by Chief Brooks and Officer Ours, who were working on the case, for the last few days. He was arrested by these two officers shortly before noon this morning and taken to headquarters, where he made the confession, after being sharply questioned. Young Jones made no attempt to lay the blame for his crimes on anyone else, and said that he had confederates in only two instances. The first time he was alone, he said. Police are scouring the city for the two boys named by Jones as his confederates in two of the robberies. The boy vigorously denied several robberies, thought by the police to have been committed by him. His first robbery, he said, was committed at the home of F. J. Billingsham on West Pike street, where he secured \$3. He visited the Oak Hall apartments on West Main street four different times, he said, and secured a total of about \$7. Jones did not know the occupant of the apartment on Lee street, which he said he entered but secured nothing, being frightened off by a woman. Two houses in the Broadus addition were robbed by him, he said, one of \$1.75, and the other of \$1.03. He did not

FOUR AMERICANS ON TORPEDOED ARABIC NOT LANDED YET

GRAND JURY

Is to Investigate Charge of Attempted Murder against a Meadowbrook Man.

Under a charge of attempting to murder Ernest Keller, a young man of Meadowbrook, August 6, by hitting him in the groin with a billiard cue in a Meadowbrook pool room, Larry Naples, a mill worker of that place, was held for the action of the next grand jury at the close of a hearing late Thursday afternoon in Magistrate W. E. Starbuck's court. He furnished bond of \$500 and was released.

Keller is still a patient in a Clarksburg hospital undergoing treatment for the injury he received but his recovery is now expected. For a week after the injury was inflicted it was not thought to be serious but one day he suddenly became worse and had to be taken to a hospital. For a few days he was in a critical condition. Naples was originally arrested under an assault and battery charge but when Keller was taken to the hospital that charge with withdrawn and a felony charge was substituted.

MORE VESSELS SUNK.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—The Spanish steamer Perla Castillo and the Norwegian steamer Sverresborg have been sunk by a submarine. Three members of the crew of the former steamer was saved. The fate of the others on that craft had of those on the Sverresborg is unknown.

know who occupied either of the houses. A check book was taken from the home of Mrs. T. Moore Jackson on West Pike street, he said. He threw the book away upon finding that its contents were of no use to him. The police charged him with having taken a necklace from Mrs. Jackson's home, but he denied this.

At the home of Lee Probst on Mechanic street he secured \$1, he said. Nothing was secured from the home of Dr. John P. McGuire on Second street, he having been frightened off by someone in the house. He was also frightened away from the home of Joseph A. Jolliffe on Chapel street without securing anything, he said.

A lady's pocketbook containing \$2.20 was taken from a house on Clay street, the occupant of which he did not know.

His last attempt was made at the home of Dr. W. H. Hill on South Chestnut street, he said. He was frightened off there without securing anything.

"Was that the last place you tried?" he was asked by Chief Brooks.

"Yes, sir," he replied, "and it's the last place I ever will try."

"Dead, Mister Brooks," he continued, "I just can't help it. When I get in a house I forget all about money and starts to looking at the books and pictures. That's why I got caught in so many places."

Police said they expected to have Jones' two confederates under arrest before night. Later in the afternoon E. M. Christie, of Northwest avenue, wore a warrant before Magistrate R. Edward Kidd, charging the Jones boy with taking \$15 from his apartments in the Oak Hall building, where he formerly resided.

LEO FRANK'S BODY RUSHED TO GRAVE

In a Vain Attempt to Elude a Bunch of Newspaper Men and Photographers.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—The body of Leo M. Frank, who was lynched at Marietta, Ga., was buried today in Mt. Carmel cemetery, Brooklyn. The automobile hearse and the car carrying the immediate relatives of the dead man traveled at a high rate of speed over the six-mile route from the home of Frank's parents to the cemetery in a vain attempt to elude newspapermen and photographers. A crowd of scarcely more than 100 people was in front of the Frank home when the body was carried out at 1:10 o'clock. Twenty minutes later the hearse had arrived at the cemetery and within thirty minutes from the time the funeral had started, the last of the burial services were concluded. Mrs. Lucille Frank, the widow, appeared calm and restrained until

Toll of Death According to Latest Information is a Score or More Persons.

MAY BE AMERICANS DEAD

England is Stirred from End to End over the Sinking of the White Star Liner.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—The best information now available indicates that a score or more persons lost their lives in the sinking of the White Star liner Arabic by a German submarine yesterday morning off the south coast of Ireland. Thus far it has not been determined definitely whether any Americans are among the dead. Dr. Edmond F. Wood, of Jonesville, Wis., and Mrs. Josephine L. Bruggers, an American, are among the dead. Dr. for some years, are missing.

The White Star line announced this morning that all but eight of the passengers had been landed at Queenstown. Four of these were said to be Americans. According to information cabled to Washington by Lewis C. Thompson, American consul at Queenstown, however, Dr. Wood and Mrs. Bruggers are the only missing Americans. The other two, James Houlihan, of Philadelphia, and Thomas Elmore, of New York, were reported by Mr. Thompson to have been saved. In all about 400 of the 423 persons on board the Arabic have been accounted for. The fate of the others is still in doubt but as the hours lengthened since the Arabic met its swift destruction, hopes that some others may have been saved are fading.

The torpedoing of the Arabic has stirred England from end to end although on account of the comparatively small loss of life, public feeling does not show signs of running as high as in the days following the sinking of the Lusitania. That such a large proportion of the passengers and crew should have been saved in the short time available for the work of rescue is regarded as better fortune than might have been expected under the circumstances. Apparently it was due to the coolness and courage of the officers and crew that the ship was able to stay afloat long enough to enable the survivors to be rescued. In Queenstown today everything possible was done to assist the survivors, many of whom were without clothes or money. As in the case of the Lusitania disaster the citizens of Queenstown came to the assistance of the survivors. A number of the survivors are suffering from minor injuries but so far as is known none is in a serious condition.

WASHINGTON IS THINKING HARD WHILE WAITING

WASHINGTON, August 20.—The official details upon which President Wilson will decide whether the sinking of the White Star liner Arabic was an act deliberately unfriendly to the United States were still lacking today, and meanwhile the president and all other administration officials, while realizing fully the gravity of the new situation between the United States and Germany, were keeping their minds open. Only two official dispatches had been received and they gave the fruits of no independent investigation, merely transmitting the reports of the White Star line. The United States will decide its course upon the reports of its own officials.

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burial service had been concluded. Then she collapsed and was carried to a automobile. The services were conducted by Rabbi Alexander S. Lyons, of Brooklyn, and Rabbi David Marx, of Atlanta.

TREE OF THE LYNCHING IS CLOSELY GUARDED

MARIETTA, Ga., Aug. 20.—Watchmen were today guarding the big oak tree, two miles from here, on which the lifeless body of Leo M. Frank, convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan, was found dangling last Tuesday morning, to prevent souvenir hunters or others from molesting it. The tree stood in a surrounded with a concrete wall, is announced, and thus preserved by the owner, W. L. Fry, to mark the death place of the alleged slayer of the Phagan girl. Meanwhile the tree is being guarded night and day.